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1. TEXT REVISION - TEXT REVISION BEING PROPOSED BY CCP
CHAIRMAN JANTO TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF WFC RESOLUTION III (SECOND
COMMITTEE) PARA 6, WHICH RECOMMENDS THAT INTERNATIONAL GUIDE-
LINES FOR STOCKS OR FUNDS EARMARKED FOR MEETING INTERNATIONAL
EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS BE DEVELOPED, AS A PART OF THE PROPOSED
UNDERTAKING. TO SATISFY THIS RECOMMENDATION, SUCH GUIDELINES
WOULD HAVE TO BE AGREED BEFORE FAO COUNCIL ACTS ON UNDERTAKING.
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JANTON BELIEVES LDC'S WOULD ACCEPT ONE OR TWO INNOCUOUS GUIDE-

LINES NOW BUT WOULD PRESS FOR MORE LATER, INCLUDING INTERNATIONALLY-HELD EMERGENCY RESERVE, IF SUBJECT LEFT OPEN FOR FUTURE NEGOTIATION. WE PROPOSE AGREE TO ADDING FOLLOWING SENTENCES TO PARA 6 OF DRAFT UNDERTAKING:

A) GOVERNMENTS SHOULD UNDERTAKE TO IDENTIFY THOSE STOCKS OR FUNDS WHICH ARE EARMARKED FOR EMERGENCY PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR NATIONAL POLICIES; AND

B) LIKELY BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES SHOULD ELABORATE APPROPRIATE PLANS OR PROGRAMS SO AS TO BE IN A POSITION TO TRANSPORT AND DISTRIBUTE EMERGENCY FOOD SUPPLIES DIRECTLY WITHOUT DELAY TO NEEDY GROUPS.

OUR AGREEMENT TO FOREGOING CONDITIONAL ON UNDERSTANDING THAT TEXT NOT OPEN FOR REVISION EXCEPT TO SATISFY ABOVE WFC RESOLUTION AND THAT THIS LANGUAGE SUFFICIENT TO SATISFY WFC RECOMMENDATION. IF THE PROPOSAL UNACCEPTABLE, AND LDC'S INSIST ON POINT, WE INTEND TO SAY U.S. CANNOT AGREE TO COUNCIL ACTION ON UNDERTAKING AT THIS SESSION, SINCE INCLUSION OF MORE SPECIFIC GUIDELINES WILL REQUIRE FURTHER STUDY BY GOVERNMENTS.

2. IMPLEMENTATION - INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS SHOW CONSENSUS EVOLVING AMONG DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FOR TIMETABLE WE PROPOSED REFEEL FOR GOVERNMENTS TO SIGNIFY THEIR INTENTIONS REGARDING UNDERTAKING, AND FOR FOLLOW-UP ACTION. SCENARIO WOULD CALL FOR EXPERTS MEETING IN FEBRUARY; GOVERNMENT RESPONSES BY MARCH 31; MEETING OF ADHERING GOVERNMENTS IN MAY, FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY BY FIRST AD HOC CONSULTATION ON WORLD FOOD

SECURITY. CONSULTATION WOULD REVIEW EXPERTS GROUP REPORT; REPORT OF ADHERENTS MEETING AND OPERATION OF INFORMATION SYSTEM, AND WOULD CONSIDER MEMBERSHIP PROCEDURES AND TERMS OF REFERENCE PROPOSED FOR STANDING WORLD FOOD SECURITY COMMITTEE. CONSULTATIVE GROUP REPORT COULD THEN BE CONSIDERED BY JUNE COUNCIL. WE PROPOSE HOLD TO THIS TIMETABLE EVEN THOUGH PRESSURE BUILDING FOR SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION IN FEBRUARY TO CONSIDER WFC FOLLOW-UP MATTERS. AZIZ OF FAO SECRETARIAT IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THIS APPROACH. GUIDANCE REQUESTED SOONEST. VOLPE

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